# IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE EASTERN DISTRICT OF PENNSYLVANIA

IN RE: NATIONAL FOOTBALL	§	No. 12-md-2323 (AB)
LEAGUE PLAYERS' CONCUSSION	§	
INJURY LITIGATION	§	MDL No. 2323
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	<b>§</b>	SHORT FORM COMPLAINT
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Plaintiffs' Master Administrative Long-	8	LEAGUE PLAYERS'
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	§	JURY TRIAL DEMANDED

### **SHORT FORM COMPLAINT**

- 1. Plaintiff(s), <u>John David Crow</u> and, if applicable,

  Plaintiff's Spouse) \_\_\_\_\_\_, bring(s) this civil action as a related action in the matter entitled IN RE: NATIONAL FOOTBALL LEAGUE PLAYERS' CONCUSSION INJURY LITIGATION, MDL No. 2323.
- 2. Plaintiff (and, if applicable, Plaintiff's Spouse) is/are filing this Short Form Complaint as required by this Court's Case Management Order No. 2, filed April 26, 2012.
- 3. Plaintiff (and, if applicable, Plaintiff's Spouse), incorporate(s) by reference the allegations (as designated below) of the Master Administrative Long-Form

Complaint, as may be amended, as if fully set forth at length in this Short Form Complaint. 4. [Fill in if applicable] Plaintiff is filing this case in a representative capacity as the \_\_\_\_\_\_ of \_\_\_\_\_, having been duly appointed as the By the \_\_\_\_\_ Court of \_\_\_\_\_. (Cross out Sentence below if not applicable.) Copies of the Letters of Administration/Letters Testamentary for a wrongful death claim are annexed hereto if such Letters are required for the commencement of such a claim by the Probate, Surrogate or other appropriate court of the jurisdiction of the decedent. Plaintiff, John David Crow is a resident and citizen of 5. College Station, TX and claims damages as set forth below. 6. [Fill in if applicable] Plaintiff's spouse, is a resident and citizen of and claims damages as a result of loss of consortium proximately caused by the harm suffered by her Plaintiff husband/decedent. 7. On information and belief, the Plaintiff (or decedent) sustained repetitive.

- 7. On information and belief, the Plaintiff (or decedent) sustained repetitive, traumatic sub-concussive and/or concussive head impacts during NFL games and/or practices. On information and belief, Plaintiff suffers (or decedent suffered) from symptoms of brain injury caused by the repetitive, traumatic sub-concussive and/or concussive head impacts the Plaintiff (or decedent) sustained during NFL games and/or practices. On information and belief, the Plaintiff's (or decedent's) symptoms arise from injuries that are latent and have developed and continue to develop over time.
- 8. [Fill in if applicable] The original complaint by Plaintiff(s) in this matter was filed in the <u>USDC</u>, <u>Southern District of Texas</u>, Houston Division. If the case is

remanded, it should be remanded to the USDC, Southern District of Texas, Houston

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9.		Plaintiff claims damages as a result of [check all that apply]:
		✓ Injury to Herself/Himself;
		Injury to the Person Represented;
		Wrongful Death;
		Survivorship Action;
		✓ Economic Loss;
		Loss of Services;
		Loss of Consortium.
	10.	[Fill in if applicable] As a result of the injuries to her husband,
		, Plaintiff's Spouse,, suffers from a
loss of	consort	ium, including the following injuries:
		loss of marital services;
		loss of companionship, affection or society;
		loss of support; and
		monetary losses in the form of unreimbursed costs she has had to
expend	for the	heath care and personal care of her husband.
	11.	[Check if applicable] <a href="#">Y Plaintiff</a> (and Plaintiff's Spouse, if applicable)

reserve(s) the right to object to federal jurisdiction.

#### **DEFENDANTS**

12. Plaintiff (and Plaintiff's Spouse, if applicable) bring(s) this case against the following Defendants in this action [check all that apply]:

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✓ National Football League;
✓ NFL Properties, LLC;
✓ Riddell, Inc.;
✓ All American Sports, Inc. (d/b/a Riddell Sports Group, Inc.);
✓ Riddell Sports Group, Inc.;
✓ Easton-Bell Sports, Inc.;
✓ Easton-Bell Sports, LLC
✓ EB Sports Corporation;
✓ RBG Holdings Corporation.
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- 13. [Check where applicable] As to each of the Riddell Defendants referenced above, the claims asserted are: ✓ design defect; ✓ informational defect; \_\_manufacturing defect.
- 14. [Check if applicable] ✓ The Plaintiff (or decedent) wore one or more helmets designed and/or manufactured by the Riddell Defendants during one or more years Plaintiff (or decedent) played in the NFL and/or AFL.
- 15. Plaintiff played in [check if applicable] \_\_\_ the National Football League ("NFL") and/or in [check if applicable] ✓ the American Football League ("AFL") during

1958 to 1959; 1960 to 1964; and 1965 to 1968 the following teams: Chicago				
Cardinals, St. Louis Cardinals, and San Francisco 49ers				
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CAUSES OF ACTION				
16. Plaintiff herein adopts by reference the following Counts of the Master				
Administrative Long-Form Complaint, along with the factual allegations incorporated by				
Reference in those Counts [check all that apply]:				
✓ Count I (Action for Declaratory Relief – Liability (Against the NFL);				
✓ Count II (Medical Monitoring [Against the NFL]);				
Count III (Wrongful Death and Survival Actions [Against the NFL]);				
✓ Count IV (Fraudulent Concealment [Against the NFL]);				
✓ Count V (Fraud [Against the NFL]);				
✓ Count VI (Negligent Misrepresentation [Against the NFL]);				
✓ Count VII Negligence Pre-1968 Against the NFL]);				
✓ Count VIII (Negligence Post-1968 [Against the NFL]);				
Count IX (Negligence 1987-1993 [Against the NFL]);				
✓ Count X (Negligence Post-1994 [Against the NFL]);				
Count XI (Loss of Consortium [Against the NFL and Riddell				
Defendants]);				
✓ Count XII (Negligent Hiring [Against the NFL]);				
✓ Count XIII (Negligent Retention [Against the NFL]);				
✓ Count XIV (Strict Liability for Design Defect [Against the				

Riddell Defendants]);

	Count XV (Strict Liability for Manufacturing Defect [Against the
	Riddell Defendants]);
	✓ Count XVI (Failure to Warn [Against the Riddell Defendants]);
	✓ Count XVII (Negligence [Against the Riddell Defendants]);
	✓ Count XVIII (Civil Conspiracy/Fraudulent Concealment [Against
	the NFL Defendants]).
17.	Plaintiff asserts the following additional causes of action [write in or
attach]: _	
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# PRAYER FOR RELIEF

Wherefore, Plaintiff (and Plaintiff's Spouse, if applicable), pray(s) for judgment as follows:

- A. An award of compensatory damages, the amount of which will be determined at trial;
- B. For punitive and exemplary damages as applicable;
- C. For all applicable statutory damages of the state whose laws will govern this action;
- D. For medical monitoring, whether denominated as damages or in the form of equitable relief;
- E. For an award of attorneys' fees and costs;

- F. An award of prejudgment interest and costs of suit; and
- G. An award of such other and further relief as the Court deems just and proper.

## **JURY DEMANDED**

Pursuant to Federal Rule of Civil Procedure 38, Plaintiff(s) hereby demand(s) a trial by jury.

Respectfully submitted,

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